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Lansing City Clerk Announces 30-day Acceptance Period for Phase Two Provisioning Center Applications

LANSING - City Clerk Chris Swope will open the second 30-day window for Medical Marijuana Provisioning Center applications on Tuesday, May 28, 2019. The window will close on Thursday, June 27. There are only five licenses available to be issued to applicants during this second phase.

In preparation for an expected large volume of applications, the Clerk's Office worked with the City's IT Department to develop an on-line application, which also includes an electronic workflow to help facilitate departmental reviews. "We learned a lot from our first round of applications," commented Clerk Swope. "We're using that information, along with input from applicants, to streamline the application, review, and appeals processes."

Clerk Swope released the updated scoring criteria for Phase Two in February. Potential applicants should review that document along with the updated application checklist and general instructions for applicants at www.lansingmi.gov/marijuana.

"Within the limits of the ordinance, I will award more points for being located further away from other provisioning centers," stated Clerk Swope. "This will help ensure access to medication for those Lansing residents who have transportation issues."

Currently, nineteen Medical Marijuana Provisioning Centers have received conditional approval from the City of Lansing. Two of those nineteen have secured licenses from the State and City of Lansing. There is one remaining appeal date before the Medical Marihuana Commission on May 28, after which conditional approval for the final license of the first round will be awarded.

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